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SUBJECT: REVIEW OF CCD PROCEDURES

1. EMBASSY SHOULD CONVEY POINTS OUTLINED IN PARAS A
THRU H BELOW TO APPROPRIATE MFA OFFICIAL DEALING WITH
CCD MATTERS. SAME POINTS WILL BE MADE BY US CCD DEL
TO SOVIET CCD DEL MONDAY MORNING, FEB. 16, IN GENEVA.
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COORDINATION OF US AND SOVIET OPENING DAY (FEB. 17)

REMARKS AT CCD, WHICH PRESUMABLY WOULD REQUIRE CONSIDERATION OF MATTER IN MFA, WE WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S APPROACH TO MFA AT EARLIEST TIME, IF POSSIBLE OPENING OF BUSINESS LOCAL TIME FEB. 16.

(A) LAST YEAR THE CCD AGREED TO CONSIDER, AT THE START OF THE 1976 SESSION, THE COMMITTEE'S ORGANIZATION OF WORK AND THE PREPARATION OF ITS ANNUAL REPORT. DISCUSSIONS OF THESE TWO MATTERS ARE LIKELY TO LEAD TO THE CONSIDERATION OF OTHER PROCEDURAL QUESTIONS.

(B) IN ADDITION, AN AD HOC COMMITTEE, ESTABLISHED BY THE UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY, WILL CARRY OUT A REVIEW OF THE UN ROLE IN DISARMAMENT. SOME PARTICIPANTS HAVE ALREADY INDICATED THEIR INTENTION TO USE THE COMMITTEE TO PRESS FOR FAR-REACHING CHANGES IN CCD PROCEDURES. FOR THE TIME BEING, THERE IS BROAD SUPPORT FOR THE VIEW THAT THE AD HOC COMMITTEE SHOULD NOT INTERFERE WITH ONGOING EFFORTS BY THE CCD TO IMPROVE ITS OWN PROCEDURES. HOWEVER, IF SIGNIFICANT STEPS ARE NOT TAKEN BY THE CCD ITSELF, PRESSURES ARE LIKELY TO DEVELOP, FIRST IN THE AD HOC COMMITTEE AND LATER AT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, FOR REORGANIZING THE CCD AND PERHAPS EVEN FOR REPLACING IT WITH A NEW NEGOTIATING BODY.

(C) IN LIGHT OF THESE FACTORS, WE BELIEVE THAT CONSIDERABLE PRESSURES WILL DEVELOP AT THE SPRING SESSION FOR ALTERING CCD PROCEDURES. WE BELIEVE IT IS PREFERABLE NOT TO LEAVE THE INITIATIVE ON THIS MATTER TO THOSE WHO ARE MOST CRITICAL OF EXISTING PROCEDURAL ARRANGEMENTS. WE ALSO BELIEVE IT IS UNDESIRABLE TO CONTINUE DEALING WITH PROCEDURAL QUESTIONS ON A PIECEMEAL BASIS, SINCE TAKING DECISIONS ON PROCEDURAL MATTERS ONE AT A TIME HAS LED TO THE CONTINUOUS EROSION OF THE ADVANTAGES WE SEE IN THE CCD.

(D) ACCORDINGLY, WE PLAN IN OUR OPENING STATEMENT ON FEB. 17 TO SUGGEST THAT THE COMMITTEE CARRY OUT A COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF ITS PROCEDURES DURING THE 1976 SESSION. WE WILL FURTHER SUGGEST THAT THE REVIEW BE CONFIDENTIAL

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CARRIED OUT IN A SERIES OF INFORMAL MEETINGS DURING THE YEAR.

(E) YOU MAY WISH TO CONSIDER MAKING SIMILAR SUGGESTIONS IN YOUR OPENING STATEMENT. IF YOU DECIDE TO DO SO, WE WOULD SUGGEST THAT OUR DELEGATIONS COORDINATE THEIR OPENING DAY REMARKS.

(F) SHOULD THE REVIEW THAT WE PLAN TO SUGGEST LEAD TO CHANGES IN PROCEDURES, WE WOULD WANT THE COMMITTEE TO CODIFY IN WRITING ALL OF ITS PROCEDURES AS A SINGLE PACKAGE, PREFERABLY BY THE END OF THE SUMMER SESSION. A RE-CODIFICATION OF THE ENTIRE SET OF PROCEDURES WOULD TEND TO HOLD THE LINE AGAINST FURTHER PIECEMEAL CHANGES.

(G) WE HAVE NOT TAKEN ANY DECISIONS ON THE SPECIFIC PROCEDURAL CHANGES WE MIGHT BE PREPARED TO ACCEPT. EXISTING PROCEDURES, INCLUDING THE CO-CHAIRMANSHIP, HAVE MADE AN IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTION TO THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE COMMITTEE AND WE WOULD NOT WANT TO MAKE ALTERATIONS UNTIL WE WERE CONVINCED THAT ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENTS COULD FUNCTION AS WELL.

(H) IN ANY EVENT, WE BELIEVE IT IS ESSENTIAL FOR THE US AND SOVIET DELEGATIONS TO STAY IN CLOSE TOUCH ON THE QUESTION OF CCD PROCEDURES THROUGHOUT THE SESSION. KISSINGER

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